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Chicago

Women accountants of Chicago were well represented at the annual meeting of officers and Board of Directors of AWSCPA and ASWA and at the annual convention of the American Institute of Accountants which were at the Waldorf-Astoria Hotel in New York during October. Among those attending were Grace Schwartz Keats, who was elected president of AWSCPA; Mary Gildea, retiring president of ASWA; Josephine Kroll, re-elected secretary of AWSCPA; Edna Grambort, elected vice president of ASWA; Beatrice Lenth, president of Chicago Chapter ASWA; Mazie B. Bryan and Bess Roth.

The November meeting of the ASWA was held at the Central YMCA with William Luby, C.P.A., as speaker. The subject, Taxes, was one of never failing interest.

The AWSCPAs had as speaker for their November meeting Benjamin Becker. He spoke on the new Pension Trust Regulations, a subject on which he is considered an authority.

Detroit

"Post War Opportunities for Women" was the interesting subject discussed by Mrs. Elsa Cooper, teacher at the Stenotype Commercial College, before a recent meeting of Detroit Chapter held at the downtown YWCA.

"Comments," local bulletin of ASWA, contained in its November sheet a very fine message from the president, Mrs. Hazel B. Scott. In regard to the favorable conditions of the day under which women accountants have clear sailing, she says, "Let us be sure that we do not dig our own pitfalls, that we do not limit ourselves. Let us strive to get the whole picture of our jobs and not limit ourselves to the immediate work in front of us . . . let us try to broaden our viewpoints in every way possible so that the services we have to offer will be better than ever before and will enable us to hold what we have attained at this time."

Grand Rapids

As the newest ASWA chapter, Grand Rapids is to be congratulated upon the fine start it has made under the leadership of Julia Norse, former editor of *The Woman CPA*. Already it is making its influence felt in its

community. They are justly proud of, and win this column's recognition for activities during National Business Women's Week.

Blanche Crosby and Mildred Hall spoke over radio station WLAV on October 10 and Vanda Miklas on October 13. During the same week Dorothy Rothfuss over station WKZO informed the world about Grand Rapids Chapter of American Society of Women Accountants.

Its constructive programs are praiseworthy, too. "Renegotiation of War Contract" was the subject for discussion at their October meeting and was ably handled by S. R. Berkey. At the November meeting John Cotton, C.P.A., discussed "Problems Arising From War Contract Terminations."

Los Angeles

This chapter lists as the highlight of its news the election of Jane Goode to the presidency of American Society of Women Accountants. Having the good fortune to know Jane personally they feel the selection was ideal and all are 100% co-operative in supporting her administration.

At the October meeting, Miss Foreman, Personnel Director at the University of California at Los Angeles, spoke on "Women in the Post War World." The principal talk was followed by brief discussions of several members on different types of accounting and what each had to offer in the future.

Mr. Vierling Kersey, Superintendent of the Los Angeles City Schools, was the speaker at the November meeting which was held at the Clark Hotel.

Spokane

Walter Eggert, Vice President of the Spokane & Eastern Bank, spoke at the October meeting on a subject of timely interest and vital importance to all women in the accounting profession, "Women's Part in Accounting in Post War Planning."

Christmas Parties

Everyone seems to be getting the Christmas spirit early this year. Listen to the exciting plans some chapters have made for their December meetings!

Chicago Chapter has scheduled a smorgasbord dinner at the Kungsholm Restaurant

which will be followed by a performance of the Puppet Opera to be given by the Kungsholm.

Grand Rapids says that a toy from the ten cent store will admit you to their party—plus the price of the dinner! Mrs. Edith Moore will present a skit portraying the Equal Rights Amendment. The toys will be sent to patients of the Mary Free Bed Guild Convalescent Home and Orthopedic Center.

Los Angeles reports that Jane Goode has again graciously offered her home for her chapter's Christmas party. It is even rumored that a turkey dinner will be served! Toys for the Childrens Hospital will furnish entertainment before they are rewrapped for the children.

Here and There

Mary V. Stith, Richmond, Virginia, and Antonia Koberstein, Portland, Oregon, formerly associate members of AWSCPA, have now received their C.P.A. certificates. Congratulations!

Mrs. Alice Hayes Haggerty, Treasurer of AWSCPA, who obtained her C.P.A. certificate in Delaware sometime ago, now has received a certificate in Pennsylvania. More congratulations!

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Chapter AWSCPA. She is a graduate of Hunter College High School and Walton School of Commerce. Both by virtue of her own ability and her business connections she is in a position to secure technical articles that will be a distinct credit to women accountants and to the accounting profession.

Associate for Tax News—Alberta R. Cray, Director-at-Large of Los Angeles Chapter ASWA. She was born in Colorado and was educated at Western State College in Colorado. She is a member of the firm Alberta R. Cray and Associates, Public Accountants and Auditors, in Whittier, California. For many years she has specialized in tax matters and her section, which will present not only articles on various phases of taxes but short items on new developments in taxation as well, will no doubt become one of the most popular sections of the bulletin.

Associate for Current Literature—Alma Rasmussen, C.P.A., president of Chicago Chapter AWSCPA and former National Secretary of AWSCPA. She has been prominently identified with the Business and Professional Women's Club, having formerly been Treasurer and President of the West Area and at present

she is Corresponding Secretary, Treasurer and Chairman of the Public Affairs Committee of the Illinois Federation. In business she is associated with Alma Koch, Income Tax and Business Consultant, doing estate and income tax work. Her department, which will make its initial appearance in the next issue, will fill, it is believed, a long felt need of a ready source for the busy woman accountant of the best available current literature on business, finance, economics and international affairs.

Associate for Coast-to-Coast—Heloise Brown, C.P.A., Houston, Texas, who is one of our newer members and the first representative in an active capacity from that great State. She attended Baylor College and University of Houston, receiving her C.P.A. certificate in 1942, and is connected with Butcher-Arthur, Inc., which is engaged in development of oil properties. She is a charter member of the Houston Accounting Forum which she has served as vice-president and secretary and is a member of the Texas Society of C.P.As.

Your comments and suggestions in regard to any phase of the bulletin will be gratefully received. The co-operation and support of the entire membership and the combined talents of our able corps of assistants and associates will make of THE WOMAN CPA a publication that can take its place alongside that of any accounting society in the entire country.

—The Editor

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Sister Mary Hilary O'Brien, R.S.M., 5600 Washington Boulevard, Chicago. She has an Illinois C.P.A. certificate and attended De Paul and La Salle Extension Universities. A teacher in Accounting at the Siena High School, she wrote of her keen interest in the accounting profession and in becoming a member of our Society.

Mrs. Elizabeth Gay Reddig, 3175 Monmouth Road, Cleveland Heights, Ohio. Mrs. Reddig received her certificate in Ohio this year. She studied accounting at Northwestern University and also attended Fenn College in Cleveland. The mother of two small daughters, she writes that she is not actively engaged in accounting while she is waiting for them to grow up but that she is interested in membership in our Society.

During the year ending June 30, 1943, fourteen women received their C.P.A. certificates. Before the end of next year, we hope that each one of them will become members of AWSCPA.